

FROM THE DIRECTOR

Many are uncomfortable with the idea that there is absolute truth. The degree of discomfort could include uneasiness, irritation, annoyance, or downright anger. It is more pleasant to embrace relativism.

This is nothing new. From the book of Genesis on through the Bible, the wrestling goes on over truth. Today, just as we might have to distinguish between "true" or "fake" science, we may have to say "true truth" in order to clarify.

At the banquet in April, our speaker Scott Klusendorf began by asking, "What is the unborn?" My friend Jennifer, from Doors of Hope Pregnancy Center in Madera, at first wondered why he didn't say "Who is the unborn?" But soon the reason was made clear: The unborn from the moment of conception are human.

The abortion choice crowd doesn't want anyone to believe this. Why is that, you ask? The reason is simple: "The Supreme Court clearly based its decision on this assumption, referring to the unborn as merely 'a potential [human] life.' At the same time, the Court also recognized explicitly that if the right of personhood is established, the 'appellant's case, of course, collapses, for the fetus' right to life is then guaranteed specifically by the [Fourteenth] Amendment.' Hence, the pro-abortion position is dependent on the belief that the unborn is not an actual human person." (Norman Geisler, Christian Ethics.)

In the book quoted above, Geisler shreds the arguments that are given which imply that the zygote, embryo, fetus are sub-human. He also exposes the truth about so-called biblical arguments which are twisted to justify abortion.

Our speaker said something to the effect that Christianity is less and less popular. I think it is because Christianity is TRUE.

Biblical truth is just that and it's fearless! It teaches the truth about the unborn; it teaches the truth that all of us have an inherited sin nature: that through one man sin entered into the world and death through sin; and reveals that Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth and the Life, that no one comes to the Father except through Him.

Today, as in the past, this particular claim Jesus makes for Himself causes consternation and anger, even among some identifying themselves as Christians. In this age of "tolerance" (except for things Christian or biblical), truth is going to be increasingly unpopular. Many don't like to hear about their need for a Savior (all roads lead to God), about life's beginnings (potential life), about embryonic stem cell research (just a bunch of cells), and the like.

In Deuteronomy 32:4, it says of God, "He is the Rock, His work is perfect; for all His ways are justice, a God of truth and without injustice; righteous and upright is He."

Isaiah 25:1 reads, "O Lord, You are my God. I will exalt You, I will praise Your name, for You have done wonderful things; Your counsels of old are faithfulness and truth (Isaiah 25:1). Note: these last two words can be rephrased as "absolute truth" (emphasis added).

When we build our house upon the Rock, Jesus Christ, there is nothing to fear. Our Savior is our ever-present helper and friend. In Him we are able to speak the truth in love (Eph. 4:15).

Maranatha,
Diane

The
entirety of
Your word
is truth,
And every
one of Your
righteous
judgments
endures
forever.

Psal m 119:116

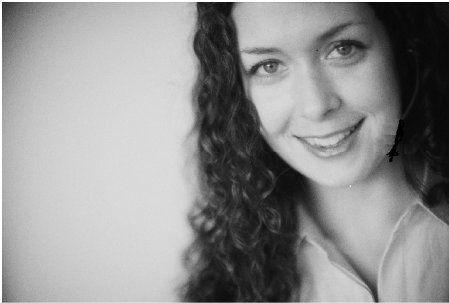


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Client Story

Some months ago a young woman came in for a pregnancy test. As she chatted with her counselor, she revealed that she was probably going to break up with her boyfriend. But the most telling thing she said was that she wanted to find a new course for her life.



When a client tells you something like this, you know that you have been given a wonderful opportunity to share truth.

Her counselor began with God's plan for relationships and as she listened, the lights went on as she began to understand how much sense it made to maintain purity in a relationship. In addition to that, she was open to listening to the salvation message and desired prayer at the end of their time together.

We are so thankful for her and all the clients the Lord sends our way. When you think of them, please pray. The world is a dark and hard place; pray that they will come to Christ. Jesus said, "I am the light of the world, he who follows me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life" (John 8:12).

Pray for CPCs

Recently Clients said:
"I love you guys!"
"How easy and uplifted I felt after-

On April 16, 2010, there was an article in Newsweek magazine featuring an article by Nancy Keenan of the National Abortion Rights Action League. She had scoped out the crowd attending the National March for Life in January and stated, "I just thought, my gosh, they are so young," she recalled. "There are so many of them, and they are so young." The article continued with the following:

New NARAL research, conducted earlier this year and released exclusively to 'Newsweek,' only amplified Keenan's fears. A survey of 700 young Americans showed there was a stark 'intensity gap' on abortion.

More than half (51 percent) of young voters (under 30) who opposed abortion rights considered it a 'very important' voting issue, compared with just 26 percent of abortion-rights supporters... Worse still for NARAL, the millennials surveyed didn't view abortion as an imperiled right in need of defenders.

The above is interesting to me because in May we received a heads-up from NIFLA (our legal consulting organization) that NARAL California had been sending fake clients into Centers in the state trying to dig up evidence that we are "bogus clinics" and all the other twenty-year-old accusations they have made before but were unable to prove.

We are asking you to pray that God will protect the Centers in California and to give discernment and wisdom to all of us, and the staff and volunteers in CPCs around the state.

Thanks to VITAE, May 21, 2010 for some of the above information.



News & Notes...

We Gladly Welcome...

our new Board Member, Rick Koelewyn!

Thank you so much...

to those who have given clothing and baby items recently; Carol Workman, Laurice Crass, and the Riverbend Church Women's Group, Summer Headley, Melissa Hedden, Ashley Kelso, Carol Blank, Georgia Douma, Erika Torres, Tasha Karr, Wendy Reenders, Katherine Andes, Jean Knudson, Renee From Illusions Hair Salon, Tiffany Mackey & Megan Gonzalez.

Some young gentlemen from Hanford 4-H came in and lent a hand with some hard-to-get-to jobs around the Center; deep cleaning our toy area, counting baby bottle change, making diaper packets. Many thanks to Chaney Zimmerman, Calem, Thomas & Garrett Bell and mom Peggy!

More Than Moms

The young mothers group from Koinonia Fellowship treated 8 of our Parenting Class clients to a Spa Day where they served breakfast, taught a new craft, shared a devotion and testimony, gave facial make-overs and sweetly showered our girls with fellowship and affection.



Mom Store a.k.a. Baby Boutique

Early summer has brought lots of sunshine to the Baby Boutique. We now have quite an efficient team of ladies together to organize and display the many gifts and donations. But never willing to leave anyone bored on a summer day, we can always use more help! Let us know if you're interested.



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- Working with clients at the Center.
- Providing support services (clerical, housekeeping, Mommy Store).
- Opening my home to a woman in need.
- Committing myself to praying on a regular basis for individual clients.
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